

## **RCFI Weekly Memo to Families from Administration May 3 edition**

**MISSION:** TO IMPROVE OUR STUDENTS' ORAL PROFICIENCY IN FRENCH

**GOAL:** TO DEVELOP STUDENTS' UNDERSTANDING AND APPLICATION OF ADDITIVE REASONING

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Trustees: Bill McKinnon, Barb Yeoman

### **Looking forward to some May flowers...**

How are we in May already, it feels like just yesterday it was the December Break. The school year continues to be a unique adventure, and is flying by! We wish to take a moment to thank families for their patience, flexibility, and understanding as we navigate this latest transition back to virtual. These are challenging times for families and staff and together we are all doing our best. We have some exciting initiatives on the horizon, Valedictorian nominations for Graduates, a whole school virtual dance party with Saidat this upcoming Friday, and a fundraiser through our Home and School Association ~ all of which are described below. Through my virtual drop ins, I am so proud of the staff for providing such creative activities to engage students, and also of the students for the incredible participation that I have witnessed from those who are able to join us online. I have also had the pleasure to have some time with some classes to host Family Feud games. I apologize in advance if this becomes a request at home now to watch the game show! It is one of my favourites.

### **Declarations for September 2021**

All families should have received communication from TVDSB this week regarding the need to complete a declaration through your parent portal indicating which learning model each of your children will be participating in for the 2021/22 school year. Please note, as per the communication from TVDSB, that there will **not** be FRL options for French Immersion for September 2021. If you require assistance in completing this form, please contact the school and we will assist. The deadline for submission is May 13, 2021.

### **RCFI Virtual Dance Party with Saidat! ~ Friday May 7th at 5:45 pm**

Please see the image below for information about our Virtual Dance Party on Friday May 7th at 5:45. This is an opportunity for Raptor Families to "bust a move" together to finish off the week. Can't wait to see you there! The link is also included in the dates at the bottom of this memo in case the one in the image does not work.

**Families of the Graduating Class:** Nominations for Valedictorian are being accepted. Deadline for nominations is Friday May 7th. Please encourage your grade 8 student to nominate a peer or themselves if they are interested in being Valedictorian for their graduating class. They can submit names by email directly to Mme Maddox ([a.maddox@tvdsb.ca](mailto:a.maddox@tvdsb.ca)) or via their Grad Google Classroom. More information can be found in their Grad Google Classroom.

### **Woodstock Attendance Area Review (WAAR) update:**

Thank you to those families that were able to attend our first WAAR meeting this past Wednesday. Your feedback about the proposals is appreciated. We will be hosting a follow up meeting to discuss specifically feedback related to the two proposed options, as our committee requires this information in order to complete their required report. Please use the following link to access the meeting on Thursday May 6th at 7:00pm. We look forward to seeing you that night. All FRL and IPL families are welcome to participate.

[https://teams.microsoft.com/join/19%3ameeting\\_YzM1YTYyNDctZTFiYi00Y2EyLWE2NDItNWRkOTJjYVWmNDRm%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%222024c5d6-bed5-4705-98ac-f83e64a78e99%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22fcc2c845-3782-441d-b1f4-660c5a2ab43f%22%7d](https://teams.microsoft.com/join/19%3ameeting_YzM1YTYyNDctZTFiYi00Y2EyLWE2NDItNWRkOTJjYVWmNDRm%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%222024c5d6-bed5-4705-98ac-f83e64a78e99%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22fcc2c845-3782-441d-b1f4-660c5a2ab43f%22%7d)

**Grade 1 Registration:** We are still accepting registrations for Grade 1 for September 2021. Please encourage families to reach out to the school if they have questions, or need assistance with registering.

### **First Trustees' Community Connection Series focuses on life after the pandemic**

One of Canada's leading experts on healthy relationships offers parents, guardians and community members her

views on post-pandemic well-being during Thames Valley's first Trustees' Community Connection Series on Thursday, May 6 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Dr. Claire Crooks, Director of the Centre for School Mental Health at Western University, helped develop a healthy relationships program for adolescents now being used in thousands of schools across Canada.

The free sessions are open to all students, families and community members and will provide attendees with the opportunity to engage in conversation with Trustees and experts on important topics facing children and youth today.

Dr. Crooks will discuss how strengthening connections can help us promote student post-pandemic well-being.

"The pandemic has been hard on students and families, in part because it has disrupted many positive and protective relationships," says Dr. Crooks. "Humans are designed to be connected to others. Children and youth flourish best in the context of healthy relationships.

"We all want students to catch up academically. Promoting resilience and wellbeing through connection will be one of the most powerful ways we can help children and youth post-pandemic. Understanding the critical importance of healthy relationships provides an essential foundation for moving forward post-pandemic."

TVDSB Chair Bill McKinnon explained the Trustees' Community Connection Series "connects community members with the Board of Trustees to share thoughts on how we can work together to create a school district that ensures all students are prepared to succeed."

The May 6 session will be attended by TVDSB's London and Oxford Trustees. Future sessions will be attended by TVDSB's Elgin and Middlesex County Trustees.

"We look forward to connecting with all members of Thames Valley's community and hearing your thoughts, exchanging ideas, listening and learning," says London Trustee Lori-Ann Pizzolato.

To register and learn more, visit [tvdsb.ca/CommunityConnectionSeries](https://tvdsb.ca/CommunityConnectionSeries) or contact Sherry Hines at [shines@tvdsb.ca](mailto:shines@tvdsb.ca) or 519-452-2000 ext. 20219.

**Home and School Association** meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month. FYI no meeting in April due to spring break.

Next School Council and Home and School Meeting is May 13 at 6:00 pm

Please join us. Parents of students in Full Remote Learning are encouraged to participate. The Meeting ID is: 995 1616 6248 Passcode 852305 and the link to join the meeting is <https://zoom.us/join>

**Upcoming RCFI Spirit Days.** Photo submissions can be viewed on RCFI School Spirit Google classroom (join code y2mbhec) - must use a GOTVDSB account to access it (every student has one).

May 21st - 80s and 90s Day

June 18th - Twins/Triplets Day

#### **Dates to Remember**

May 3-7 Education Week

May 3-7 Arts Festival and Mental Health Week

May 7 Virtual Dance Party with Saidat - [Roch Carrier P.S. - Family Night YouTube Live Link](#)

May 13 Roch Carrier's Birthday

May 13-17 Domino's Pizza fundraiser through RCHSA (see flyer below)

May 24 Victoria Day Holiday

June 11 PD Day

*Your devoted Administrators,*

*Mme Maddox and Mme Chamberlain*

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# FAMILY FUN NIGHT WITH SAIDAT

Join Saidat as she will have your families singing and dancing during this high-energy, interactive show. Let's celebrate individuality, as well as accepting differences in others.



**ROCH CARRIER F.I. P.S.**  
**MAY 7TH, 2021**  
**5:45 - 6:45 P.M.**

Click on the icon below  
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